

# ALIVE IN CHRIST



JULY 2025 · DRAW NEAR...

*“Walk prudently when you go to the house of God; and draw near to hear...” Ecclesiastes 5:1a*

## **...to Hear**

I was listening to brother a church share about the importance of listening. He had used the story of Jesus visiting Martha and Mary (Luke 10:41). As He was sharing, the Holy Spirit had me focus on Martha welcoming Jesus to the house. However, Martha got busy with being a good host, but her sister/helper, Mary sat at His feet. She chose to listen. Jesus said that was the one thing needed at that time.

What was this one thing? Sitting at His feet listening. The Lord began to show me, in love, the many times I went to pray or worship (welcome Him), I just start off speaking, singing, but not coming first to listen. Even in trials, I have tried to pray my way out of it (Not good). He was speaking to my heart that day to remember the importance of His presence. The importance of Him and His great love for us. He doesn't want us to be worried or troubled. He wants to give us His word, which doesn't fail. His wisdom, direction, guidance, encouragement, His purpose, and His plan. This all begins with listening. Every word that He has given, He has brought it to pass. The Bible we read, was given to those who chose to listen.

I love the story of Saul's conversion to Christ (Acts 9). Saul has seen the risen Jesus on his way to Damascus. He enters the city blind and is waiting on the Lord. Then the Bible reads, *“Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Anania; and to him the Lord said in a vision, ‘Ananias.’ And he said, ‘Here I am, Lord’”* (Acts 9:10). I love

Ananias' response. The Lord knew He had a faithful listening servant He could call on. Ananias went on to do all that the Lord had told him to do. He did his part. God has given us all a part to do in His kingdom, and it begins with listening.

*“My son **give attention** to My words; **incline** your ears to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; **keep them** in the midst of your heart; For **they are life** to those who find them, **and health** to all their flesh.”* Proverbs 4:20-22

Thank You Lord Jesus for teaching us your ways and bringing us into all that you have for Your glory, honor, and praise.

## **Campus Ministry**

With the school year ended, we are focusing on the operational structure and functions of the ministry. We will be updating our website by creating social media apps for our clubs, online giving opportunities, reviewing our yearly curriculum, and developing youth programs for discipleship. One major step in this process has been completed. After a year of filing for the trademark logo for CV Parsonage, it has been approved. We are thankful to the Lord for helping and guiding us through this process. The USPTO attorney that was overseeing our trademark, provided the necessary changes and adjustments that helped get it approved. This included clarifying our description (using the proper government lingo) to the specific colors on

the logo. So, the logo and wording on this newsletter in officially trademarked. Thank You, Jesus.

We are seeking the Lord for wisdom on developing discipleship opportunities for our students. We don't know what this would look like, but we have committed it to the Lord. Our goal is to find a way to stay connected with our returning students throughout the school year and the summer. Part of the vision is for our students that do not attend church, find one and grow with the congregation. We will continue to invite youth pastors to our clubs who have a heart for God and team ministry. This is very important to us. God is faithful, He has brought them, and they have remained. However, unfortunately there are those who have come seeking their own agenda. These did not remain. Our only agenda is what God has given us to do and to be good stewards of His flock. Please continue to pray for the vision and that Lord continues to bring it to pass.

### ***Thankful Parents***

This past month our oldest, Sarah was married to our new son, Isaac. It was a beautiful week together with his family on the island of Hawaii. She planned it that way and what a great time! In May, she graduated with her master's degree in social work. Now, Sarah has a job in Los Angeles and has moved there to start her life. She has left home after 29 years. We are grateful and thankful to watch her grow. Most importantly, we have seen her grow in the Lord into the godly woman He made her to be. When we were saying our goodbyes, the Holy Spirit reminded me of the prayer He gave me when she was a baby. "Lord, may Sarah love you more than anything else." He has brought it to pass. Thank you, Father. Thank you for being a part of this beautiful journey. Stella and I send our love to all of you. May God bless you and continue to bring you into all that He has for your life and others.

Alive in Christ,

Damon Juarez

### ***Giving Information***

CV parsonage is a 501(c)(3). Our tax ID number is 93-2518222. If you would like to support our ministry, make out checks to CV Parsonage. Thank you for giving to the Lord and His ministry. Our mailing address:

**CV Parsonage  
P.O. 432  
Coachella, CA 92236**

#### **Mission:**

A Christian based organization that teaches and shares the gospel of Jesus Christ, which promotes spiritual guidance and educational resources to community families in the East Coachella Valley.

#### **Vision:**

To be a witness of Jesus Christ on local high schools and to equip high school students to be witnesses on their campuses.

### ***East Valley Bible Clubs***

*During lunch\**

#### **Tuesday\***

**Amistad HS Rm. 206 (Christ in Action)**

Advisor: Mrs. Barboza

#### **Coachella Valley HS (Key2Life)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lunch: **Rm. T3**

2nd Lunch: **Rm. 131**

Advisor: Mr. Gonzalez

#### **Wednesday\***

**La Familia Rm. 15**

Advisor: Mrs. Martinez

#### **Thursday\***

**Desert Mirage HS (J316)**

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> lunch: **Library /H7-107**

Advisor: Mr. Espejo

**Indio HS. Rm. 3225 (Jesus Loves You)**

Wed.- Leadership

Thursday- Club meeting

Advisor: Mrs. Gagnon